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In re Application of

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RESIN SEALING APPARATUS AND RESIN SEALING METHOD

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 28, 2003, Applicant hereby elects with traverse, Embodiment 5 of Figures 4A-4B on which claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 are readable for prosecution in the above-identified application.

Traversal is hereby made of the grouping of Species set forth in the Office Action, specifically that Figs. 1A and 1B, and Figs. 1C and 1D belong to separate Embodiments 1 or 2 respectively. In fact, Figs. 1A to 1D show different states of a single embodiment. Moreover, as shown in the attached Table 1, claim 1 is generic to the Embodiments 1 to 5, and 7 to 9, identified in the Office Action.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Table 1: Relationships between embodiments, figures and claims

Embodiment	Figure	7
1		Claim
2	1A, 1B	1 2
	1C, 1D	1 2
3	7	<u> </u> , Z
4		1, 2, 3
5	3	1, 2, 4
	4A, 4B	1, 2, 5, 6
6	5A to 5C	
7	6A, 6B, 7	7, 8
R	UA, OD, 7	1
	8	1
8	9	4
10	10A, 10B	
11		9, 10
12	11A, 11B	9, 11
12	12A, 12B	9, 12 to 14